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In re Application of:)
William J. Roberts) Group Art Unit: 1616
Entitled: "BIOAVAILABLE PRODRUGS OF)
ANDROGENIC STEROIDS AND RELATED) Examiner: Badio, Barbara P.
METHOD")
Serial No.: 10/053,345)
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Respectfully submitted,



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